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1. WITH REFERENCE TO PARA 3. G. REFTTEL, WE BELIEVE HARMEL WOULD MAKE HIMSELF AVAILABLE AS MEDIATOR IN ICELANDIC- UK DISPUTE. SINCE STEPPING DOWN AS FOREIGN MINISTER, HARMEL HAS CONTINUED TO SERVE IN THE SENATE, AND IT IS EXPECTED THAT HE WILL SUCCEED TO THE HIGHLY PRESTIGIOUS SENATE PRESIDENCY WHEN THE PRESENT INCUMBENT CEDES OFFICE A MONTH OR TWO HENCE. MOREOVER, HARMEL IS OF COURSE WIDELY ASSOCIATED WITH EFFORTS TO GIVE NATO A LEADING ROLE IN THE PROCESS OF DETENTE, A POSITIVE FACTOR INsofar AS HIS PUBLIC IMAGE IS CONCERNED. AS WILL BE RECALLED (BRUSSELS 3297 AND 3376), BELGIUM SETTLED ITS DIFFERENCES WITH ICELAND OVER FISHING RIGHTS LAST SEPTEMBER WHILE HARMEL WAS STILL SERVING AS FOREIGN MINISTER (ALBEIT TO BRITISH ANNOYANCE). THIS SHOULD MAKE HIM FULLY ACCEPTABLE TO ICELAND AS A " PEACE- MAKER" IN THE CURRENT DISPUTE. STRAUSS- HUPE

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